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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6547 NOTE PREPARED: Dec 18, 2007

BILL NUMBER: SB 297 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Local Government Matters.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Delph BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State & Local

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> *Monetary Transfers Between Departments-* The bill allows officers of a political subdivision to transfer money between departments in the same fund of the political subdivision without notice and approval of the Department of Local Government Finance if the transfer meets certain requirements.

Civil Penalties for Littering- The bill allows a city, town, or county to regulate and adopt civil penalties for littering on public property.

Rainy Day Fund Transfers- The bill allows a political subdivision to make transfers to the political subdivision's rainy day fund after the last day of the political subdivision's fiscal year and before March 1 of the subsequent calendar year.

Effective Date: July 1, 2008.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *Monetary Transfers Between Departments*- This provision would reduce administrative time spent by the Department of Local Government Finance to review fund transfers between departments within a local unit of government.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues: Civil Penalties for Littering-Cities, counties, and towns that pass littering

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ordinances could receive additional revenue from civil penalties assessed on violators. All revenue collected would be deposited in the local unit's general fund.

The maximum civil penalties would be assessed under the following schedule: \$100 for first violation, \$250 for the second violation, and \$500 for violations after the second.

State Agencies Affected: Department of Local Government Finance.

Local Agencies Affected: Cities, counties, and towns.

Information Sources:

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